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### STILL ON DECK.

The Voice is issued this week under peculiarly distressing circumstances. The cyclone has scattered our office to the four winds. Our newspaper press is shattered into small pieces, and our type is mingling in endless confusion with brick and mortar. Out of a \$4,000.00 plant we will not save \$200 in value. We had fire insurance, but nothing against cyclone. This edition is printed in Wichita by the kindness of the A. N. Kellogg Newspaper Co. We hope by next week to have a plant of our own in Wellington and to be ready for business as usual.

A new outfit has already been ordered and it will be such an one as the business and standing of the paper demands. We shall need the assistance of our friends, however, which if loaned to us will be repaid in patronage. The Voice has never in the past been compelled to ask for bonus or guarantee of any kind, having taken all responsibility on its own shoulders. We regret to have to call on our friends now, but have received so many warm assurances both in person and by mail that we are quite sure we shall not impose upon their generosity by so doing. The sentiment is universal that the Voice must go, and we propose that no effort shall be lacking on our part, and we believe that the people are inspired by the same motives. We expect to make the Voice a better paper than ever.

### BOTH WILL GO.

The Exchange and the Voice Will Both be Put on Their Peeps Again.

A meeting of the directors of the Alliance Exchange was held in Liberty Hall Tuesday and Manager Lemmon was instructed to secure a room, order goods and proceed with the business. The Exchange had \$3,200 fire insurance and will get pay for all that was burned. It is quite likely that no assessment on the stockholders will be necessary. After talking the business of the Exchange over at length the meeting was adjourned. A large number of Alliance men from various parts of the county being present, the house was again called to order for the purpose of setting on foot a plan to re-establish the Voice. R. Bruce Magee was selected chairman and J. M. Lemmon secretary. The matter was fully discussed and a committee of three, consisting of R. Bruce Magee, G. H. Fish and D. T. Rose were appointed to supervise the collection of \$2,500 for the benefit of the Voice. A complete canvass of the county will be set on foot by the committee at once.

### STORM NOTES.

In Addition to the Telegraphic News in this Issue, The Voice Has Prepared the Following Briefs.

Harper has issued an urgent call for aid. The heavy rains have been general all over eastern Kansas. A black cloud, lightning and a little wind makes our people quake with terror. The man who was not excited or scared during the storm certainly has something the matter with him. In tearing away the debris no one was hurt very badly, which seems strange among so many excited men. The Monitor-Press was insured for \$2,000 against cyclone. They are also getting out a paper in Wichita this week. The commissioners of Harper county have appropriated one thousand dollars from the county fund to help the sufferers. Hundreds of pictures were taken of the wreck last Saturday and Sunday by photographers from all parts of the country. The little daughter of the late I. N. King mentioned among the fatally wounded, is getting along nicely and will probably recover. W. S. Longman's livery barn and residence were both totally demolished and he lost everything he had but his horses. No insurance. Had the 4th of July meeting been a success in the old court house many would doubtless have been killed there. It was torn to atoms. The Monitor-Press, being beneath the Voice's office, the two papers are now consolidated—that is, the offices are, what is left of them. We appreciate the kindness of the Mulvane Record, Oxford Mocking Bird, Caldwell Journal and other papers for offering us assistance. The rain fell in torrents, Washington Avenue was a river of water and men waded to their knees in water and mud in the middle of the street.

Mr. Sasher was not mad as stated in the telegraph reports, but only temporarily crazed with grief as any other person in his position would have been.

The farmers are giving and helping very liberally. The farmers in this instance, as in everything else, are proving themselves to be true American citizens.

Arrangements are being made to again establish the Alliance Exchange. A big stock was carried by the Alliance folks in this store and it is a great and total loss.

Wichita has started a purse for the relief of the distressed and Mayor Thompson has telegraphed to the mayor there that all contributions will be judiciously distributed.

It is difficult for us to give anything like a detailed local account, because of the cramped condition we are in. Only a few notes that pass through our befuddled brain.

Telegraph and telephone wires were all down Friday night. The first connection was with Wichita by telegraph about 12 o'clock Friday night. This wire was kept hot for many hours.

The Standard and Mail offices are badly wrecked, but they are able to get out their issues at home. There is about as much left of the Monitor office as there is of the Voice—very little of value.

Ida Jones, the girl who was killed in the Phillips house, had worked at that house for several years, and her pleasant face was known by hundreds of Sumner county people. Her remains were taken to Topeka last Monday, where her relatives live.

It is estimated that thirty thousand strangers were in Wellington last Sunday. Had a very strong wind come up while so many people were crowded around the rickety buildings, it is horrible to imagine what would have been the consequence.

There are no better people on earth than the average American citizen. He is always ready to lend a helping hand to his afflicted brother. This is plainly shown by the kind offers of assistance to the Wellington people, who suffered such heavy losses.

Charley Millard stepped into the Alliance hotel with Ed Forsyth and Dick Weaver to get out of the rain. Charley got out with slight injuries, Ed was buried beneath the debris and died Saturday evening and Dick had a leg broken and was otherwise bruised, but is getting along nicely.

Dave Leahy, the Eagle reporter, who made the write-up of the disaster, is an old Wellington boy and knows as many people here as any Wellington man, which gave him the advantage over reporters of other papers. His report is the best that has been written and we publish it in full.

Through the kindness of the Wichita Eagle and the A. N. Kellogg Newspaper Co., we are enabled to get out this issue. A better report than the above could not be written. Only a few mistakes and we will endeavor to call attention to a few of them in the following notes.

The cyclone commenced its awful work at about 15 minutes of nine o'clock. It was a few minutes of nine when the rescuers ventured upon the street. The terrible scenes they witnessed can never be realized except by those who assisted in the awful work of hunting for victims.

The Voice family and all connected with the office escaped entirely unhurt. The office is a total wreck, however, and very few articles of value can be saved. There was no one in the office at the time, the foreman having left about 10 minutes before the cyclone struck it. He says he is the happiest man in Wellington.

For blocks on each side of the terrible destroyer the wind raged with awful fury and buildings in all parts of the city are badly shattered and many are still in a dangerous condition. It would not take a very strong wind to level many more houses to the ground. The work of repairing is going on as rapidly as possible.

The cyclone came from the west and commenced the terrible destruction just east of the Rock Island railroad a short distance north of the depot. Going directly east instead of north, (as stated in the report above), it lashed everything in its path into atoms, the path of the main force of the storm being little less than two blocks wide. Passing clear through the city, it raised toward the heavens again about half a mile east of the corporate limits.

Had it not been for the Wellington militia, in whose charge the city was on Sunday, a great deal of valuable property would have been carried away as relics by the thousands of sight-seers who came for miles to look over

the scene of desolation. Even the guards of the militia did not keep many people from taking things they should not have taken.

Every outbuilding and everything on every side of Squire Smith's fine residence on C street was torn to pieces. The Smith house was left standing, but is badly damaged. This place had the appearance of a hospital Saturday morning, all the wounded and injured neighbors being carried there. Mrs. Smith says she thinks they were spared for the purpose of taking care of their neighbors.

Many people remarked that the saddest funeral ever held in Wellington was that of Ed Forsyth, the printer, Monday afternoon, who was known by everybody in Wellington and the expression of everybody is: "Ed was one of the best boys in Wellington." He was a member of the Wichita Typographical union and also an honored member of the Knights of Pythias lodge of this city, which order had charge of his funeral.

The barber mentioned in the Eagle's report of the killed was Hort Upson, the barber in the Phillips house. He had lived in Sumner county several years. The Eagle was also in error in stating that the family of W. A. Henn had come to Kansas only last week. Mr. Henn is one of the firm of Frantz, Henn & Co., real estate agents, and came to Wellington almost a year ago. He has large property interests in Sumner county.

We can only get what advertisements we had in stereotyped form, and have found in this issue. We hope to be able in a short time, with some assistance, to issue our paper as usual. Every subscriber will get this issue and through the kindness of the A. N. Kellogg Newspaper Co. we hope to not miss an issue. Our subscribers, we know, will not expect much of a paper from us for awhile.

We will say to our advertisers that their advertisements will appear next week. It was impossible for us to get our "ads" set up in time for this issue. We will call around and see our advertisers at home before the next issue appears, but if we fail to see you, come and see us. We will make our headquarters known as soon as possible. At the present some of the office force can be seen at any time at the court house. Our foreign advertisements will appear in the paper as soon as possible.

Wellington had decided not to call for aid, but since the heavy rains Monday night the conclusion was changed. There are several families that will have to have assistance and while the people here are doing all in their power to relieve those in need, some outside assistance will have to be called for. On last Monday night the heaviest rain that has fallen here for years did great damage to stocks of goods and to everything that was in the unroofed buildings, of which there are many. The stores of J. R. Latta, Holmes & Co., Z. Mixell, Frank Snyder, A. G. Haltiwanger, S. Mann, Richardson & Co., and others, all of which were left unroofed by the cyclone, have suffered hundreds of dollars damage by the rains.

Many of the business men were still at their places of business or still in the business part of the city away from their homes and after the terrible twister had completed its work the first thought of every one was for the safety of friends or relatives. Running through the ruins, falling over timbers, fallen buildings or into cellars they would come to a dear one safe and sound. Cold words cannot describe that hand shake or embrace. But the heart-rending calls of those who knew they had a brother, sister, wife or dear one in the awful mass of wreckage, will never be forgotten by those who wandered in the terrible darkness, giving help wherever they could. The writer can never forget the heart-rending cry of a brother Odd-fellow: "My God, where is my wife!" That awful cry, to which no answer came, is indelibly stamped upon the memory of every Oddfellow who helped to hold their brother and keep him from again rushing into the flames.

Remember that all primaries not heretofore otherwise announced will be held at the usual polling places in the various precincts on next Tuesday, June 7, at 7 p. m., for the purpose of selecting delegates to the county convention June 11.

G. H. Fish and W. D. McKinstrey announce that one or both of them will be in Wellington every Saturday to explain to or write up farmers in mutual insurance. Headquarters at Edmund Frantz' hardware store.

### CLOSING PROCEEDINGS.

**Adjournment of the Methodist Convention at Omaha.**  
In the Methodist conference at Omaha on the 25th the report on the Columbian exposition matter demanding Sunday closing was presented and accepted. A second part recommended the appointment of a commission to make a church exhibit. This excited some discussion, but was finally adopted. The committee on lay representation reported in favor of equal lay and clerical representation in the general conference, one layman and one ministerial delegate for each forty-five ministers in the annual conference. A spirited debate ensued, followed by a decidedly close vote in ballots. The result stood as follows: Laymen for 143; ministers against, 11; ministers for, 197; ministers against, 18—A victory for the laymen. The only matter of importance handled at the afternoon session of the conference was the report of the committee on episcopacy, touching the actions of Bishops Taylor and Thoburn in irregularly ordaining missionaries and deacons. A lively contest took place over the effort to unite the Order of Deaconesses and Women's Home Missionary society by placing the deaconess' work under the supervision of the missionary society. The matter was left as it was.

The Methodist general conference closed its deliberations at Omaha on the 25th. The last day was devoted to clearing up of business. An effort to take up the woman question out of its order failed of a two-thirds vote, greatly to the disappointment of the galleries, which were filled with women. Later the report of the judiciary committee brought the matter to a formal and unanimous vote. Hamilton was elected—21 to 21—providing that if the word "laymen" as applied to delegates is not interpreted by a two-thirds vote of the annual conference and a three-fourths vote of the general conference to mean exclusively males, women shall then be admitted as lay delegates. Great applause followed, and the conference adjourned sine die.

### WHAT ULSTER MAY DO.

**A Proposed Plan of Resistance to an Irish Parliament Should Not Be Established.**  
BELFAST, May 31.—The Telegraph publishes the proposed plan of resistance to the mandates of an Irish parliament should such a body be established. The article was written by a prominent Irish unionist. It says that the men of Ulster will not allow elections to occur. The election writs will be publicly burned by the sheriffs of counties and the mayor of Belfast immediately after they are received. Judges and magistrates taking their commissions from the new executive will not be recognized. The police force will be reorganized with special constables sworn to replace the regular police. The queen's taxes will be paid, but taxes levied by the Dublin parliament will not be paid. The custom house will be seized and held until the question is settled. Continuing the article says: In the event of war the north will be in a better position, both as regards credit and geographical position, than the south. Belfast is unassailable, while Dublin is open to direct and immediate attack.

### AIMED AT TRUSTS.

**Provisions of a Bill Introduced in the House of Representatives.**  
WASHINGTON, May 27.—In the house yesterday Representative Bryan, of Nebraska, introduced a bill to amend the act to protect trade and commerce against unlawful restraints and monopolies. It provides that whenever any United States circuit court shall find in a case pending before it that any conspiracy in restraint of trade or commerce exists in respect to any article which is subject to tariff it shall report the facts to the president, who shall issue a proclamation placing such article in the free list. Whenever such article is subject to a tax under the internal revenue laws the duty on such article shall be equal to such tax. And after the date fixed in the proclamation the article shall be admitted when imported into the United States subject to a duty equal to internal revenue tax.

**Gold Settlement in Arkansas.**  
LITTLE ROCK, Ark., May 30.—There is considerable excitement in Montgomery county over the discovery of a very valuable vein of gold ore in the Lost Louisiana mine. Gov. Eagle has telegraphed to Prof. J. C. Branner, state geologist, now in California, to come to Arkansas and make an official examination of the ore. Col. M. E. Locke, commissioner of the bureau of agriculture, mines and manufactures, says that the find has in no way been exaggerated. The ore assays all the way from \$3.50 to \$118.

**Parisian Anarchists.**  
PARIS, May 30.—A number of anarchists held a meeting here yesterday in the Faubourg du Temple, at which it was resolved to continue the spreading of their propaganda by action. Several speakers praised Haywood, and advocated the robbing of the rich and murder if necessary. The communists held a demonstration in the cemetery of Pere la Chaise at the graves of the communists who were killed in 1871. A number of red flags were displayed and a number of revolutionary speeches were made.

**National Editorial Officers.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, May 28.—The National Editorial association has elected the following officers: President, B. P. Brice, Hudson, Wis.; first vice-president, Walter Williams, Columbia, Mo.; second vice-president, H. J. Knapp, Auburn, N. Y.; third vice-president, H. J. Duke, Scotch, Mo.; corresponding secretary, J. M. Page, Jerseyville, Ill.; recording secretary, William Kennedy, Chambersburg, Pa.; treasurer, A. H. Lourie, Elkin, Ill.; assistant recording secretary, Miss Louise Francis, California.

**Moons Object to a British Flag.**  
LONDON, May 30.—Advice from the British flag was raised over the new British legation in that city yesterday. Trouble may be expected, as the people are murmuring loudly against the innovation. It is the first foreign flag that has ever been flown in Fez.

### CONGRESSIONAL.

#### The Week's Proceedings Condensed For Convenience of the Reader.

AMONG the bills passed in the senate on the 24th was the senate bill donating twenty acres of land of the military reservation to the city of Sedro, Neb., for a cemetery. The bill for the protection of the treaty rights of aliens was further discussed. The river and harbor bill was reported in the house, but, on objection, was referred to committee of the whole. The house then went into committee on the sundry civil appropriation bill. Mr. Holman offered an amendment providing that the positions of all persons employed in field work in the office whose services can be dispensed with shall be vacated. Agreed to. Without dispensing of the bill the committee rose. Senate bill was passed making Laredo, Tex., a port of entry. Mr. Dockery, of Missouri, offered a resolution directing the committee on the judiciary to inquire whether under the specie resumption act any bonds were sold for redemption. Referred to committee on rules. Adjourned.

This resolution offered by Mr. Korran directing the committee on finance to make an examination and report in relation to currency and coinage and as to the effect of the act of July, 1891, on the price of silver bullion was taken up in the senate on the 25th. His motion to refer was defeated. A modified resolution went over without action. There was a surprise in the house when Representative Henderson, of Iowa, arranged with President Harrison and the governors of states for failure to give representation to colored people in connection with the world's fair. He was followed by Mr. Johnson, of Indiana. In a speech eulogistic of President Harrison, denunciation of the democratic party in its treatment of the negro in the south and strongly in favor of the election bill. This caused much excitement. Mr. Dockery, of Missouri, (on behalf of the subcommittee of the committee on appropriations) offered an amendment reducing the salary of the director general of the world's Columbian commission to \$5,000 and of the secretary to \$2,000. After debate the amendment was agreed to. Amendments were adopted forbidding the opening of the exhibition on Sundays and prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors.

The friends of free silver surprised their opponents in the senate on the 26th. Mr. Morgan by an adroit move getting the Stewart free silver measure squarely before the senate. Mr. Stewart promptly rose and reminding that he would give the senate the opportunity of having a last vote on the question moved to take up the bill (introduced by him and reported adversely from the finance committee) to provide for the free coinage of gold and silver bullion, and for other purposes. The yeas and nays were called for by Mr. Morgan. The vote was announced as yeas, 28; nays, 21. As a result the Stewart free coinage bill is before the senate as unfinished business. It has displaced the alien bill and can be gotten rid of only by an affirmative vote to take up another measure previously on the morning hour calendar. The house was in committee on the sundry civil appropriation bill. After much debate the Sunday closing paragraph was amended to read as follows: "Provided that the government exhibit at the world's Columbian exposition shall not be open to the public on Sundays." The appropriation to enforce the Chinese exclusion act was increased to \$10,000.

The silver free coinage bill was before the senate on the 27th as unfinished business. After desultory remarks (it was arranged that discussion should commence on Tuesday, the 30th, to which time the senate adjourned....) The Hatch anti-optical bill received its first defeat in the house on a motion of its author to go into committee of the whole for the consideration of revenue bills. The anti-optical bill was the first revenue bill on the calendar in the order of consideration and the committee, by a vote of 108 to 128, refused to take up the measure of the gentleman from Missouri. The action is by no means vital in its effect on the bill, as the measure merely retains its place on the calendar, subject to another motion of like tenor by Mr. Hatch at a subsequent date.

### HOW THEY WILL VOTE.

**An Effort Made to Get the Views of Delegates at Large to Minneapolis, and the Result.**

NEW YORK, May 31.—The Herald, in order, as it says, "to make light the dark places," has sent to every delegate at large to the Minneapolis convention a telegram as follows: "Will you kindly wire how your delegation stands for choice for president, whether in favor of restricted or unrestricted coinage, or high or low tariff?" Replies to the above, printed by the Herald, show that Mr. Harrison will have 356 delegates, Mr. Blaine 265, Mr. Alger 28, with one original McKinley man from Montana. This leaves in the doubtful list 238 delegates, and it is from these that Mr. Harrison must get the 84 or Mr. Blaine the 185 votes which are necessary to secure the much coveted prize.

On questions of platform there seems to be an almost unanimous opinion. Not a delegate, apparently, opposes the republican doctrine of high tariff, while the unlimited coinage of silver men are able to muster only seventy-three delegates out of the 598 of which the convention is composed.

### Vermont Prohibitionists.

RUTLAND, Vt., May 26.—The prohibitionists of Vermont held a mass state convention here yesterday. This state ticket was nominated: Governor, E. L. Allen; lieutenant-governor, W. P. Stafford; secretary of state, E. T. Griswold; treasurer, Mylon Davidson; auditor, H. F. Cummings. Presidential electors: E. P. Hanson, H. M. Seeley, William McNeil and S. L. Wiswell. Members of congress: First district, Rodney Whitmore; second district, W. P. Holton. Delegates to national convention: W. P. Stafford, C. H. Field, L. W. Hanson, Rodney Whitmore, G. E. Crowell, A. L. Ferguson, Don Atwood, C. W. Wyman and H. R. Mack.

### Co-Operative Insurance.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., May 28.—There has been perfected among big packing firms in this city, Omaha and Chicago a novel plan for co-operative insurance whereby the cost of fire indemnity to large firms of recognized standing in all branches of trade and all parts of the country are to have fire indemnity at minimum cost.

### An Immense Oil Tank Explodes.

VALPARAISO, Ind., May 30.—A tank containing 12,000 barrels of oil exploded at Whiting and severely burned several persons. The loss is \$20,000 to the Standard Oil Co.

### TALKING OF WRITERS.

DR. S. WEIR MITCHELL, the Philadelphia specialist and author, is said to be one of the foremost living authorities on the subject of snake poisons.

ANTHONY TROLOPE was one of the profaneest of authors, and he was accounted, it is alleged, to swear frequently when in good society. He was also careless of his clothes.

It is said that Senator Mills has almost completed a work on the tariff which is to be entitled: "Protection and Plutocracy." It will contain about one hundred thousand words and be divided into ten chapters.

A PROMINENT lady novelist asserts that she receives many sad letters from husbands who claim that their domestic happiness is being undermined because their wives devote their attention to study instead of to housework.

The first negro novelist has appeared, Miss Sarah E. Farro, of Chicago, a woman of good education, aged about twenty-six. The melancholy story: "True Love," is not a book of special promise, but the first edition is nearly exhausted and the author is writing another story.

MR. BAKING GOULD, the well-known novelist, is fifty-nine years of age. He belongs to an old Devonshire family and is rector of Lew-Trenchard. Strangely enough he wrote something like thirty or forty books on religious subjects and folklore before he won celebrity as a novelist.

### A PROGRESSIVE AGE.

A SACRAMENTO toboggan slide, just invented, is an iron flume circling a post.

A SAILLESS horse-shoe, that is fastened to the hoof with a clasp, is coming into use in Paris.

A FRENCHMAN, M. Brandelay, has succeeded in making pearls by simply boring holes in pearl oysters, dropping in minute glass beads, and then hermetically sealing the holes.

A PLAN to force coal by pipe line from the mines to the seaboard has been proposed. The coal will be ground to powder, mixed with water, sent through the pipes, the water then removed, the coal dried and pressed into bricks.

A LIFEBOAT of aluminum has recently been built at Stralsund. It will be a matter of considerable interest to see how this boat will answer, when thoroughly tested, for it seems more than likely that its obvious good points will be counterbalanced by various disadvantages.

SOME boys' fishing excursions turn to walling on their return home.

### HON. JERRY SIMPSON.



The above cut gives but a faint idea of one of the many superb full-page engravings in "THE FARMERS' ALLIANCE HISTORY AND AGRICULTURAL DICTIONARY," a magnificent volume of 100 royal octavo pages, for which we have the exclusive sale in the State of Kansas. This is one of the best and most interesting works on the questions of the day, and is the only authentic and authorized history of the Farmers' Alliance movement. We desire active and energetic gentlemen and lady agents in every township and sub-township in the State, to whom a liberal commission will be paid. Parties desiring literature employment would do well to apply to us at once, as territory is being rapidly assigned. The work is sold at the following very low retail price: Cloth Binding, Embellished and Designed Back and Cover.....\$ 2.50 Half Royal 8vo Binding, Embellished, Designed Back and Cover, Marble Edges..... 2.50 Sent postpaid upon receipt of price.

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Notice of Hearing Application for a Druggist's Permit to Sell Intoxicating Liquors.

To whom it may concern:

WELLINGTON, KAN., April 28, 1892. Notice is hereby given that I have this day filed my petition with the Probate Judge of Sumner county, Kansas, for a Druggist's Permit to sell intoxicating liquors for the exempted purposes at No. 102 North Washington Avenue, being situated on Lot No. 12, Block 69, in the original town, now city, of Wellington, in the fourth ward of said city, in the County of Sumner, in the State of Kansas, as required by law. The hearing of said application is set for and by said Probate Judge and will be heard at said Probate Judge's office in said city on the 6th day of June, A. D., 1892, at the hour of 9 o'clock, a. m.

J. W. CHAPMAN, Probate Judge.

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### NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the petition of S. Mann for a Druggist's Permit to sell intoxicating liquors at 115 North Washington Avenue, in the First Ward of the city of Wellington, Sumner county, Kansas, has been filed with the Probate Court of Sumner county, Kansas, and the same set for hearing on the 26th day of June, A. D., 1892, at 2 o'clock, p. m., of said day at the office of the Probate Judge at the court house in Wellington in said county and state.

S. MANN, Applicant.